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And spring,
Yes, spring.

Say, Spring.
You ornery thing,
Don't play hocus pocus
With water to soak us,
But come with the crocus
And spring,
Yes, spring.

Yes, Spring,
You slow gaited thing.
Your coolness looks waddish,
You're acting quite caddish,
'Tis time for horse raddish,
So spring,
Yes, spring.

Come, Spring,
Let your echoes now ring.
No more wintry scenes,
Let us put up our screens,
Please come with the greens,
With a spring,
Yes, spring.

For shame, Spring!
Let old Nature sing.
Last year you brought a muss,
That sickened a lot of us,
You old hippopotamus.
So spring,
Now spring.

Just spring,
And "don't do a thing"
But get ready for "taters"
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WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, May 7th, 1904.

Between now and November voters will have ample opportunity to think about the tariff and come to a definite conclusion whether it is better to maintain the present form of indirect taxation and get most of the revenue for the government through the custom house, or whether the people prefer direct taxation with an augmented internal revenue. The main issue between the two opposing political parties will concern the tariff question. President Roosevelt says he want the Republican platform to say exactly what the party intends to do regarding the tariff. He think it best to have a short platform, and naturally it should be heartily in sympathy with the Administration. As Senator Lodge, of Mass., is to be chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, and as he dictated the tariff plank in the platform of the Massachusetts Republicans, he can be relied upon to carry out the President's wishes. Senator Aldrich, of R. I., is engaged in assisting Senator Lodge in writing the tariff plank. Those who have kept abreast with the trend of affairs at home and abroad are confident that the leaders of the Republican party will agree to modify the tariff, or revise its schedules, at the next session of Congress, "as circumstances may require." There is a strong feeling in New England in favor of reciprocity with Canada, and a large number of manufacturers in Boston and vicinity have petitioned to that effect. But the trade between the Dominion and the States is con-tantly increasing and is now in a very healthy condition, and largely in favor of this country. New England being a manufacturing district wants free raw materials, and possibly some way may be devised to accomplish that purpose. It is now plain that great questions before the American people for future adjustment are the tariff, trusts, wages, domestic and and foreign commerce and the merchant marine. These are non political, economic and social questions, of interest to all the people who live beneath the stars and stripes.

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The search for a good man for Vice President to run on the ticket with President Roosevelt continues. Senator Fairbanks, of Ind., declares he is out of the race. He is looking ahead. Speaker Cannon, renowned for his sterling common sense, prefers to be speaker of the House of the people than to dwell as a non-entity in the tent of the Senate. Under no circumstances would he accept the nomination. He says Illinois is a safe Republican State in any event, and therefore it is not necessary for him to make a personal sacrifice. He looks for a Republican majority in the next House, and will be a candidate for re-election as Speaker.

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Since Congress adjourned the White House has become the political head-center. A few days since Cornelius N. Bliss of New York dined with the President, and the question of the chairmanship of the Republican National Committee was discussed, but not decided. It is stated that the position may be offered to Gov. Murphy of N. J., upon his return from Europe. It has been decided to send a baker's dozen of Senators into Indiana to stump that state and enlighten the people. The best speakers in the Senate have been choosen—strong, able, eloquent and good looking men. The list includes Senators Allison, Ia.; Lodge, Mass.,; Spooner and Quarles, Wis.,; Nelson and Clapp, Minn.,; Dalliver, Ia.,, Foraker, O.,; Alger, Mich..; Cullon, Ills..; Dillingham, Vt.,; Burnham, N. H.,; and possibly McComas of Maryland. This is a strong team and should out a political swath.

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Miss Harrold of this city has been badly treated by Lieut. Col., Wm. L. Hitcher of the U. S. A. He paid her six moths devotion, asked to marry her, got leave to do so, had the wedding day set, and then skipped out to California. That was very ungallant, to say the least and seems conduct unbecome a gentlmen. Miss Harrold took the matter philosophically and resumed her clerkship in the War Department. It seems the Lieut. Col. is an ancient Pitcher, being on the wrong side of fifty. He simply says he "changed his mind;" but that excuse belongs exclusively to the other sex. Anyhow a Senator and a Member of Congress have taken the matter up in in Miss Harrold's behalf and the Secretary of War is giving the fickle Pitcher the third degree. He must answer specifically and categorically, why he went back on Miss Harrold, and retreated before he was captured. Possibly this Pitcher went to the well once too often and the handle may have got broken.

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The Red Cross difficulty which has been simmering and bubbling for a long time, is now in a fair way of being settled. Senator Proctor of Vt., plans that hereafter the Government may work with the Red Cross. He would have Congress issue a new charter for the society, providing for a governing body of eighteen persons, the President to be the presiding officer. It is thought Miss Barton will not oppose this plan. She is scarcely in a position to oppose any plan.

AN INTERESTING DEBATE

Resolved, that the Government of the United States was justified in recognizing the independence of Panama Republic; is the question that will be debated by representatives of the Maryland Agricultural College and Delaware College on the evening of May 20th, in the College Oratory at Newark, Del. Maryland Agricultural College has chosen the negative side of the question. The proposition will be defended by Messrs. Joseph M. McVey and Henry Kimble of Delaware College. There is every reason to expect a most interesting and instructive argument. The public is cordially invited to attend. A full program of the exercises of the evening will be published later.

FORTY-NINE ASK FOR DIVORCES

Nearly Half a Hundred Couples Tired of Married Life

MAY TERM LIST ISSUED

Forty-nine divorce cases are now pending in the Superior Court of New Castle County. The trial list for the May term which came out Tuesday contains this number. Among others on the list is the case of Louise Rodney Holcomb vs. Chauncy P. Holcomb, which caused such a sensation in social circles several weeks ago, when it was learned that Mrs. Holcomb had entered a suit for divorce. The divorce cases follow.

Aubrey Thatcher vs. Fanny F. Thatcher.
Benjamin B. Simpson vs. Mary A. Simpson.
Jennie M. Messick vs. Seremus Messick.
Alice R. Jackson vs. George Jackson.
Leonard K. Baylis vs. Jennie Baylis.
Ida M. Gregg, vs. Robert M. Gregg.
Alverta Ward vs. Armor Ward.
Lawrence J. Potts vs. Ellen C. Potts.
Daisy L. Moon vs. Ellsworth E. Moon.
James C. Smith vs. Mary Emma Smith.
Magdalena R. Farra vs. John D. Farra.
Georganna B. Ferguson vs. Lannes H. Ferguson.
Emma E. Day vs. William Herbert Day.
James E. Stanton vs. Elizabeth Stanton.
Jervis A. Smith vs. Henrietta Smith.
Mary E. Gibbs vs. William Gibbs.
Clara A. Hoffecker vs. George S. Hoffecker.
Florence B. Joyce vs. John Henry Joyce.
Jennie L. Clements vs. Thomas G. Clements.
Lillian M. Thomson vs. Joseph C. Thomson.
Lillie E. Coyle Reed vs. George M. Reed.
Mary L. Crooks vs James Crook.
Walter Johnson vs. Alice R. Johnson.
Margaret P. Jacques vs. Horace Garrettson Jacques.
Mary A. Warrick vs. Benjamin F. Warrick.
Mary E. Pearson vs. Hiram E. Pearson.
Lydia C. Downs vs. Reuben J. Downs.
Sarah E. Williams vs. Richard Williams.
George Scriven vs. Elizabeth J. Scriven.
Olivia Dawson vs. George B. MacC. Dawson.
Robert Henry Cubberly vs. Maude Cubberly.
Roderick S. Neville vs. Hortense Neville.
Milinda Stewart vs. Thomas R. Stewart.
Bertha M. Dean vs. William B. Dean.
Charles Clampitt vs. Lizzie J. Clampitt.
William S. Clark vs. Amanda E. Clark.
Reba Fairlamb vs. Marry V. Fairlamb.
Clara E. Ostergren vs. Axel W. Ostergren.
Elsie May Johnson vs. John C. Johnson.
Mary A. Lewis vs. William C. Lewis.
Mary E. Seeds vs. Joseph E. E. Seeds.
Catharine Marshall vs. George F. Marshall.
Sela A. Ligger vs. James H. Ligger.
Grace A. Gentry vs. Franklin E. Gentry.
Louise Rodney Holcomb vs. Chauncey P. Holcomb.
Annie E. Mercer vs. Harry T. Mercer.
Isaac S. Fredd vs. Adilla C. Fredd.

In addition to the divorce cases the trial list contains 20 other cases for argument and 143 causes for trial. Many of the latter are damage cases against the railroads.

The case of W. O. Sullivan Dimpfel vs. John Edward Addicks is among those on the argument list. W. H. Cooper, Jr., represents the plantiff.

DELAWARE NOTES

New officers of the Wilmington Board of Health assumed their duties Monday.

Mrs. Charles G. Blandy has been elected president of the Newark New Century Club.

Commencement exercises of the Homœpathic Training School for Nurses will be held in Wilmington on Tuesday.

George H. Leland, of Providence, R. I., is in Wilmington to examine sites for the proposed new water system and give an expert opinion.

Owing to some trouble in the gas-making machinery, Major Edmund Mitchell, who bought the plant recently controlled by J. Edward Addicks, has announced that the residents will be furnished with free gas until the defect is remedied.

SHOULD EAT MORE FRUIT

Hygienists all agree in telling us that we do not eat sufficient fruit, which is infinitely more productive of health and beauty than candy and pastry. Ripe apples are especially healthy and children may eat them without danger. It is claimed that an apple eaten at bedtime produces sleep. Pears are more tasty than apples but not so healthy unless cooked. Prunes have medicinal qualities that cannot be denied, says an exchange. Apricots are also more healthy cooked than raw. Peaches are very healthy. The most healthy of all fruit however, is grapes. Gooseberries and currants are best cooked. Figs are also excellent; they were in great favor with ancient Roman ladies, who always ate them for breakfast. Pineapples are said to be the best relief for dyspepsia known. Oranges are also excellent for some people. Lemons produce cheerfulness and prolong life.

MARYLAND HAPPENINGS

A lodge of Modern Woodmen of America has been instituted at Port Deposit, with a membership of 30.

Every county on the Eastern Shore, through their conventions, have indorsed William H. Jackson for renomination for Congress.

The report of City Treasurer H. W. Lewis, of Elkton, shows that there is a cash balance of $300.48 to start the fiscal year with.

During the first few days Deputy Fish Commissioner W. F. Calloway has placed about 2,000,000 young shad in the streams of Wicomico County.

A meeting will be held in the Court House at Snow Hill Tuesday night, when plans will be outlined for organizing a strong baseball team at once.

An inter-class field and track meet will be held on Wednesday by the Athletic Association of St. John's College on the grounds of the college, at Annapolis.

The Middle Conference of the Maryland Synod of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church convened at Limeboro Monday and continued in session two days.

State Fire Marshal Robert M. Price, who recently died, left an estate valued at about $25,000, which upon the death of his widow and adopted son is devised to the Methodist Protestant Church at Centreville.

Attorney General W. S. Bryan questions the constitutionality of the act passed by the recent Legislature known as the Good Roads bill, which provides for the apportionment of $200,000 annually of the State's money for use to repair and maintain the county roads.

State Senator John Gill has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the Fourth Congressional district, now represented by J. W. Denny.

Governor Warfield will address the graduating class at the Easton High School on June 16th.

Professor Charles T. Wright, of Havre de Grace, has been reappointed school examiner for Harford County.

Burglars broke into the store of Joseph Good, at Havre de Grace, early Monday morning and carried away a wagon load of plunder.

Marion Duckett, Francis Gasch, John Lepper, G. M. Dahler and John Rohrback were Monday elected town commissioners of Bladenburg.

While shuckling clams Alva H. Powell, of Worcester County, found a pearl, said to be the largest and finest ever found in the waters of the Sinepuxent Bay.

Isaac Warfield and Fred Smith, both colored, of Rising Sun, for cruelly beating and over-driving a livery horse, were fined $20 each and costs by Magistrate Samuel A. Taylor, of Rising Sun.

The steamer City Belle, which was sunk in the Susquehanna River, near Perryville has been raised, repaired and is again running between Port Deposit and Lapidum.

METHODIST HONOR M'KINLEY

LOS ANGELES, CAL., May 8th—The end of the first week of the thirty-first general conference of the Methodist Church yesterday saw preliminary details disposed of and the gathering ready for more important work. Standing committees have been organized and many have appointed their sub committees and mapped out their work,

In the initial session the question brought prominently to the fore was whether the conference should restore the ministerial time limit of three or five years, or permit to continue the present plan of unlimited tenure adopted at the general conference four years ago. The bishops in their address touched upon this question, but retrained from expressing an opinion. The committee on itinerary is to dispose of the question. Final action will be taken next Friday.

It seems likely that the historic system of itinerant is in danger of being destroyed by an unlimited pastoral service. Ministers in the less desirable churches and laymen who have the less popular pastors are clamoring for a time limit that will give them change. Strong conservative leaders like Drs. Buckley, Upham, King, Day, Little, and the younger pastors like Drs. Eckman, Downey, Anderson and Hughes, now serving beyond the old five-year limit in their favorite parishes, will argue for four years further trial of the unlimited service.

A resolution was offered yesterday by J. W. E. Bowell, a negro, of Chattanoga, Tenn., in connection with William McKinley. It ends:

"Resolved. That the committee on memorials appointed by this body be requested to prepare a tribune to the precious memory of our distinguished laymen."

The resolution was adopted by a standing vote and the assemblage sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee," President McKinley's favoritve hymn.

PROHIBITION CONVENTION

State Gathering of the Opponents of the Liquor Traffic will be held next Tuesday

LARGE MEETING EXPECTED

Next Tuesday the Prohibitionists of Delaware will hold their state convention in the Opera House in Wilmington. It is expected that this will be the largest and most enthusiastic state convention ever held by the Prohibitionists, as there is an awakened interest in the principles of the party in different sections of the state, and a large representation is expected from all three of the counties. The morning session will begin at 11 o'clock when temporary officers will be chosen and committees appointed. The afternoon session will convene at 1.30 o'clock and then the real work of the convention will begin. It is expected there will be an interesting discussion at this session over the proposition from the State Temperance Alliance to unite with them in an effort to get the old parties to nominate candidates to the Legislature pledged to local option. As there is a difference of opinion among the leaders of the Prohibitionists in this state on this question, the discussion is likely to be very interesting, for some of them, who are opposed to it, have expressed themselves as convinced that it is only an attempt to Addicksize the Prohibitionists, and make gains for the Union Republicans in the next Legislature.

About 3 o'clock in the afternoon it is expected to have a popular meeting when addresses will be made by Dr. Alfred Smith, temperance evangalist of the M. E. Conference, and several others. In the evening at 7.45 o'clock another popular meeting will be held and a rare treat will be in store for all who attend. The Famous Philadelphia Male Quartette which sang in the Elwood meeting in the Opera House several times delighting hundreds of Wilmingtonians, will be present and give a musical. The address of the the evening will be given by the Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, National chairman of the Prohibition Party and the only Prohibition member of the Illinois Legislation elected from the city of Chicago. These meetings are all open and free to the public, both men and women are invited to attend them, and a special invitation is extended to the evening meeting.

The work of the convention will consist in electing delegates to attend the National Prohibition to be held at Indianapolis on June 29th, and in the nomination of candidates for Governor and other executive officers of the state.

THE EASTERN SHORE

Southern travelers rushing along the strip sliced off by the Chesapeake Bay from the shores of Maryland and Virginia, little realize the importance of that country. The mountainous succession of flat, sandy fields, marshy, inlets, and unpretending railway stations hardly tempts the eye from the newspaper, while the through passenger is perhaps unaware that to this sand strip and its invading tides, his city table, whether set for him in Philadelphia or New York, Boston, San Francisco, or say London, has long been indebted for many of its choicest luxuries; for these are soft-shelled crab and caviarefi quail and ptarmigan and reed-bird, canvas-back duck and diamond back terrapin, or early dainties of sea and shore, orchard and garden, too numerous to catalogue.

This backbone railroad and its branches have carried northward in one year over ten thousand carloads of peaches and small fruits, as many more being shipped by boat or preserved in the canneries and evaporating plants. Ten million bushels of oysters are taken yearly, giving employment to over thirty thousand persons. In the northern half of the two-hundred mile strip is a fine wheat and grass growing region, while figs and pomegranites come to perfection at its southern extremity. To enjoy these kindly fruits of the earth and sea, six million consumers wait within twenty hours' distance from the lowest point of the peninsula, and wheel and keel bring its farmers, fruit raisers and fishermen into quick contact with the markets of the world. Well may this narrow sand strip be called the Land of the Epicure.—*Philadelphia Record.*

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RULE 19

What THE TRANSCRIPT had to say about the proposed change in the rules of the New Castle County Republican Committee, aroused considerable comment, mostly favorable, but as was to be expected, some unfavorable.

The *Evening Journal*, as usual, takes an entirely opposite view from that expressed by us. And, also as usual, because the *Journal* does not approve of the change, there is no public demand for it, but it is simply a scheme of the politicians. Our reply to this is that for years, in fact since the organization of the Republican Party in Delaware until 1900, there was no such rule, and at that time there was no public demand for a change. As a matter of fact, the sub-committee on rules in that year sprung a surprise on the County Committee, in this Rule 19, and the only reason it was adopted without opposition was that it did not take effect until the campaign of 1902. Therefore, instead of its being a scheme of politicians, the proposed change is only intended to get back to the real, true principles of the Republican party and allow a majority of the qualified voters of the several districts to say whom they want as their candidate for Levy Court Commissioner, &c. And if an official has made a good record and is deserving of re-election, permit them to re-elect him.

As to the other objection of the *Journal*, that the present officers were elected under the provisions of Rule 19 and knew they were not eligible for re-nomination, we reply that it is wholly and absolutely false, as applied to those whose terms expire this year and who were elected in 1900. Rule 19, as stated above, and as the rule itself recites, did not take effect until 1902, therefore, it had no bearing, directly or indirectly, upon the campaign of 1900.

Those members of the County Committee who favor the retention of Rule, or a majority of them, are either candidates for office themselves, or they are Federal office-holders who had their appointments handed to them and many of whom are serving second or third terms or who hold office during good behavior. One of the strongest opponents of a change has already served two terms in one county office and is now a candidate for another; and yet he objects to the Sixth Levy Court District having the right to re-elect Mr. Merritt N. Willitts as its commissioner, because it would be giving a man a second term. "Consistency, thou art a jewel."

GROWING DEMAND FOR GOOD ROADS

"The agitation in behalf of good roads is growing in the South and West and is leading to increased appropriations by the States in the East. The Governor of New York has just signed a bill passed by the Legislature of that State increasing the annual appropriation for this purpose from $600,000 to $1,500,000. New Jersey provided for an increase from $250,000 to $400,000, and the law in Pennsylvania provides for the expenditure of $6,500.000 in six years. Connecticut and Massachussetts, have also made liberal appropriations. These sums comprise what each State expends in addition to the sums contributed by the local authorities in each town and county in which roads are constructed.

"In length of road built and contracted for under the State-aid law New Jersey takes the lead with 959 miles. That was the record at the time the report of the Commissioner of Public Roads for 1903 closed. New York followed with 484 miles; Massachusetts with 480, and Connecticut with 454. Pennsylvania does not figure in this report of work accomplished, as its first appropriation was not expended to any extent during 1903. In this respect Pennsylvania is much behind her neighbors. Since State-aid began, nearly ten years ago, New Jersey has, in connection with her local authorities, expended and contracted for $4,545 494 in work on good roads; New York, $4,135.000; Connecticut, $2,233,000, and Massachusetts, $5,150,923. New Jersey has expended less money on 959 miles of road than Massachusetts expended on 480 miles. Either better roads are made in Massachusetts or the work is much more costly. There can hardly be this difference in cost.

"The people of New Jersey are in marked contrast with those of Pennsylvania in seeking improved roads. There are petitions on file in New Jersey for 480 miles of road, to cost $2,195,247. That is in addition to the work now under contract. It will take two years or more to do this work, as the State appropriation is not sufficient to undertake it all in one year. New Jersey pays one-third of the cost of a road, the county two-thirds, and 10 per cent. of the county's share may be assessed on the townships. In Pennsylvania the State pays two-thirds of the cost, the county one-sixth and the township which the improved highway traverses one-sixth. While this provision is liberal, no great anxiety has apparently yet been evinced by local authorities for road improvements in this State.

"In New York the State pays 50 per cent. of the cost of the road, the county 35 per cent. and the town 15 per cent. The applications are so numerous for improvements in New York that it would take six years, with an annual State appropriation of $1,500,000, to do the work for which petitions have already been filed. Under these circumstances the Legislature has taken the first steps towards submitting a constitutional amendment to popular vote to provide for a $50,000,000 bond issue for the construction of good roads. This interest in the subject is very encouraging."—*Phila. Press.*

[Communicated]

MIDDLETOWN AND CECILTON TROLLEY

Now that the discussion of the Middletown and Cecilton Railway is being wide spread it is surely remarkable how the subject increases in interest. The question is gaining attention to such a degree that we think the Delawareans will take more interest and become stockholders.

The road must, and will go through, and we do not think that our Delaware brothers should extortion on the company by asking three or four prices for their land when some of Cecil's most aged citizens have so generously contributed their land, merely to have connection with Middletown.

Mr. Polk has been permitted the privilege of using the streets of Warwick and Cecilton and is striving to improve our land. Now we think this most honorable gentleman has done a good work, and he would like to have your aid dear reader. We believe it would be money well invested to take stock in this enterprise.

He came to Delaware to build a line and was successful, now that he has come to My Maryland to do the same thing we believe he will be successful. If he was not in a position to complete the road he would never have spent what money he has already spent. Mr. Polk would be glad to converse with any gentleman or lady regarding this line, and I am satisfied that he would present his argument to the public in an interesting, if not convincing manner.

WARWICK.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

Some of our young men attended the circus in Wilmington on Saturday.

Messrs. Ward Davis and Robert Ferguson, of Cecilton, visited Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bouchelle last Tuesday.

The Daughters of the Confectionary met at the home of Mrs. Annie T. Egee on Tuesday evening of last week.

Some of our young people attended the "Leap Year" dance given by the young ladies of Cecilton last Tuesday evening.

Captain Alexander W. McNamee will have charge of the steamer "Penn," one of the Ericsson line day boats. They began their regular summer trip on Monday.

An entertainment was held in Bethel A. M. E. Church on Thursday evening of last week. The chief feature was an egg breaking after the Jewish style. A lecture was delivered by Rev. W. T. H. Addison, the subect being "Matrimony."

The Democratic primary meeting was held on Saturday afternoon in Mr. Harry Bouchelle's store and the following gentlemen elected to attend the county convention in Elkton on Tuesday: Dr. Delmar Smithers, Ralph Rees, Harry Jones, Charles Lum and Charles Mullen.

Miss Dora Steele entertained a few of her young friends last Monday evening in honor of her twentieth birthday. Among those present we noticed Misses Lucy Reed, Sallie and Ida Bouchelle, Mary Walters, Elsie Karsnerl, Florence Egee, Mrs. Clara Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Steele, Groome and Harold Steele and Harry Kibler.

Our base ball team met defeat on Saturday at Perryville, the first game with this team being such a victory makes the defeat much harder to bear; never mind boys practice up, and get ready for the game on Saturday with Elkton, so the same thing may not happen there. The managers have appointed a committee of ladies to arrange for a strawberry and ice cream festival for the benefit of the team, on the evenings of May 19th and 20th. Admission 5 cents.

PANAMA CANAL PURCHASE

Secretary Shaw, of the U. S. Treasury, on last Saturday signed a warrant for $40,000,000, on account of the Panama canal purchase. This warrant is many times larger than any warrant ever before issued by this government. The largest sum previously covered by a single government warrant was for $7,200,000 paid to Russia in 1868 on account of the Alaskan purchase. The next largest sum was $5,500,000, paid in 1876 to the British government on account of the Halifax awarded under the treaty of Washington for infringment of fisheries rights in Nova Scotian waters.

ST. GEORGES

Mrs. W. S. Ellison was a visitor in Wilmington Tuesday.

Miss Ida Wright is spending sometime with friends in Bethel, Md.

Miss Katherine Swain spent Saturday with friends in Wilmington.

Miss Daisy Clark spent Sunday with Miss Florence Cox near town.

Miss Katie Swain has been paying a visit to relatives near Glasgow.

Miss Harriett Carrow had Miss Mattie Murry as her guest on Sunday.

H. T. Hopkins, wife and son spent Sunday with relatives in Smyrna.

Miss Caroline Straub, of New Castle, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Annie Straub.

Charles Lewis, of Middletown, spent Sunday with William Roberts and family.

Miss Florence Jones spent Sunday with the Misses Crossland at Biddle's Corner.

Miss Blanche Jones was an over Sunday visitor with H. C. Dolson near town.

Mrs. Caroline Gray, of Bowersville, spent part of last week with relatives here.

The Ericsson Line Steamers have commenced their day-light trips through the canal.

Miss Bessie Jones pleasantly entertained Miss Clara Swan, of Birds Corner, on Sunday.

Dr. Blymer, of Philadelphia, was an over Sunday visitor with J. H. Stewart and family.

Mrs. Edgar Carrow has returned from a visit to J. W. Carrow, Sr., and family near Mt. Pleasant.

Joseph Brown and family, of Wilmington, spent part of last week with Theodore Jones and wife.

Charles Cannon and wife, of Wilmington, are spending sometime with her father, F. J. Merrick.

George Swain and wife on Sunday entertained their daughter, Mrs. Eugene Gravatt and son, of near Glasgow.

Mrs. Harry Stewart has returned to her home in New Castle after a visit of several days with her aunt, Mrs. Rachel Hudson.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church was held at the home of Mrs. Harry Smith on Thursday.

The property of the late D. B. Stewart has been rented by Mr. Lynam of Townsend, who is employed at the St. Georges Creamery.

Miss Effie White entertained ten of her friends at a "flinch" party on Tuesday evening. A delightful time was had by all present.

William Reynolds was on Sunday elected Superintendent of the M. E. Sunday School, to succeed J. W. Carrow, Jr., resigned.

A short series of object sermons will be delivered at the weekly prayer meeting of the M. E. Church by the pastor, Rev. O. L. Martin.

E. H. McWhorter and son, of Philadelphia, who have been paying a visit to his sister, Mrs. Clarence Jamison, have returned to their home.

National Lodge, No. 32, I. O. O. F. will hold a strawberry and ice cream festival and bazaar in their hall on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, May 25th and 26th.

SASSAFRAS

Mr. Custis C. Price visited Sassafras on Wednesday.

Mrs. Harry Shephard has been seriously ill for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Rosin visited friends in Smyrna on Saturday.

Strawberry festival plans now occupy the attention of church workers.

Mrs. Harry Simmons was the guest of Middletown friends Wednesday.

Mrs. J. Hodson and Miss Helen Ellison visited Sassafras Wednesday evening.

The death of Mr. Dennis J. McCaulley of Galena, on Thursday last was very sad.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tarbutton were entertained by relatives near Massey on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Griffith entertained his father, Mr. Robert S. Griffith, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rosin were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. William H. Spry on Sunday.

Mrs. Robert S. Griffith is visiting her sister, Mr. and Mrs. George McCall, of Chester, Pa.

Mrs. Raymond Thornley who has been seriously ill for the past week is somewhat improved.

There will be services in the Rehoboth M. P. Church to-morrow evening. All are cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McIntyre, of Galena, were guests of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Thornley, on Saturday.

CECILTON

James T. Watts is on the sick list.

James H. Smith spent a few days this week in Baltimore.

Miss Blanche Padley spent Sunday with Miss May Deputy.

Miss Mary Anderson spent Sunday with Miss Myrtle Templeman.

E. S. Short has returned from Baltimore where he spent several days.

George Millikan spent a few days with relatives in Wilmington this week.

Quite a number from here attended the circus in Wilmington on Saturday.

Miss Mollie McCoy, of Elkton, visited her parents several days this week.

John Smith, of Philadelphia, was the guest of his parents a few days during the past week.

Miss Minnie Messick and Edward Mattax were guests of Miss Mary Adkins, in Middletown, on Sunday.

James H. Pierce and daughter, Miss Mamie, visited relatives in Philadelphia and Germantown this week.

Mrs. Lou Hayes and son Nelson, of Philadelphia, are spending sometime with her mother, Mrs. John Taylor.

Quite a number attended the May party at Cranberry on Wednesday and a delightful time was had by all.

All are invited to hear Rev. I. R. Fosnotche of Magnolia, Del., who will have charge of the morning service on Sunday Johntown, and at the M. E. Church here at 2:30 o'clock, p. M. the afternoon.

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No. 2	98	Yellow, shelled	60
Timothy Seed	$2.65	" cob	62
Clover Seed lb	10½c	Oats	54

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE.

Eggs, per doz	15@17
Country Butter, per lb	20@25
Creamery Butter, per lb	28
Lard, per lb	8@11
Live Chickens, per lb	12@13
Potatoes, per basket	55@60

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Thursday, 12th,	6 pm	Friday, 13th, 3 pm
Monday, 16th,	8 pm	Tuesday, 17th, 6½pm
Thursday, 19th,	12 noon	Friday, 20th, 11 am
Monday, 23d,	3 pm	Tuesday, 24th, 1 pm
Thursday, 26th,	5½pm	Friday, 27th, 3½pm
Monday, 30th,	8 pm	Tuesday, 31st, 6½pm

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WILLIAM W. ROSE, Clerk.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE,
New Castle County, Del., May 7th, 1904.
Upon the application of Jeannette Wilson Administratrix of James C. Wilson late of Appoquinimink Hundred in said county, deceased it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Administratrix aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters of Administration upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown Transcript, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months
(SEAL) Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written
FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills

NOTICE—Notice is hereby given that Letters Administration were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned on the seventh day of May, A. D. 1905, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same duly attested to the said Administratrix on or before the seventh day of May 1905, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.
JEANNETTE WILSON,
Administratrix.
Address Martin B. Burris, Esq., Attorney-at-law, Middletown, Delaware.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., May 7, 1904
Upon the application of Richard L. Price Executor of Lydia A. Price, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Executor aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters Testamentary upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in THE MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.
(SEAL) Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.
FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills.

NOTICE—Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the 7th day of May, A. D. 1904, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the said Executor, on or before the 7th day of May, 1905, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.
RICHARD L. PRICE,
Executor
Address, Martin B. Burris, Esq., Attorney-at-law, Middletown, Delaware.

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Window Curtains 25c, worth 30c.
Table Oil-cloth 18c, worth 28c.
Pictures, neat frames $1.25, well worth $2.00.
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Japanese Matting, pretty designs, 23c, worth 35c.
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MIDDLETOWN, DEL., March 1st, 1904.

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The Middletown Transcript

Trains Leave Middletown as Follows:

North Bound—3.29, 7.48, 9.22 and 10.24 a. m; 1.54, 4.17 and 7.58 p. m.
South Bound—12.36, 8.21, 9.19 and 11.28 a. m; 4.03, 7.11 and 7.13 p. m.

Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.20 a. m., 10.05 a.m., 3.50 p.m., 5.45 p. m. and 9 p. m.
Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p.m
For Odessa—7.0 a. m., 8.30 a. m. 11.30 a. m., 4.50 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.20 a, m, and 4.45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., MAY 14, 1904.

Local News.

Removed to the middle room in the Opera House. JONES & BRADLEY.

Sweet Potato plants, May 10th, ready to set. E. J. STEELE, Middletown, Del.

Full line of Fresh Groceries at E. F. INGRAM'S.

Fresh Bread, Rolls, Cinnamon Buns every day. JONES & BRADLEY.

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EGGS FOR SALE.—Rhoad Island Reds—fine vigorous stock and excellent layers. C. P. COCHRAN, Middletown, Del.

FOR SALE.— The property of the late Marcellus Jones on South Broad street. For particulars apply to J. R. HOFFECKER, Middletown, Del.

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E. I. Alper, Eye Specialist, East Main street, Middletown. Office hours 8.30 A. M., to 9 P. M., every Saturday.

EGGS FOR HATCHING.—Pure bred S. C. White Leghorns, White Wyandotts and Barred Rocks, 15 for $100; 100 for $5.00. T. R. BRADSHAW, Evergreen Farm, Odessa, Del.

Until further notice the Middletown Public Library will be open on Tuesday and Saturday afternoons from 3.30 to 5, and Saturday evenings, from 7 to 8.30,

Deviled Crabs at JONES & BRADLEY.

FOR SALE.—A 12 room house with all modern improvements. Southeast corner Green and Church Streets. Possession given March 25th, 1905. Apply to JOSHUA CLAYTON, JR., Middletown, Del.

Workmen are making rapid progress in erecting the new dwellings for Mr. H. C. DeValinger on East Cochran street.

On Monday evening, May 16th, the W. F. M. S. will give a reception to Mrs. Matlack at the home of Mr. A. G. Cox. All the members are invited to be present.

The new time table of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will go in effect May 15th. There will be little change in the time of passenger trains as the present time table is very satisfactory.

Two Keys tied with a string were lost in front of the Middletown Hotel on Thursday. The finder will return same to THIS OFFICE.

George D. Crossland of St. Georges, has sold his trotting mare Edna F. Crossland, by Red Cedar; dam by Peacemaker, to Mr. Thomas J. Craven, of Salem, N. J., for $650.

About 150 tickets were sold at the railroad station here last Saturday for Wilmington. The attraction was the great Barnum and Bailey show which exhibited there both afternoon and evening.

A special meeting of the Y's will be held at their room on North Broad street next Monday evening, at 7.30 o'clock. All members are requested to be present as important business will be brought before the meeting.

Miss Sadie Edith Davis, sister of Mrs. Walter Monro of this town, was united in marriage to Mr. Herbert Lincoln Mac Galliard, in Philadelphia, on April 30th. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Davis, of near Blackbird.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending May 5th: Miss Annie Butcher, Mrs. R. C. Cochran, Miss Jennie Couse, Mrs. Lizzie Wilson, Ben Dickson, Theodore Hayes, Robert Lee.

The following pupils of the Taylor's Bridge schools received an average of 90 per cent. or above for the term ending April 29, 1904. Florence David, Ethel Derrickson, Lee David, Lillian Huggins Fred Regener, Walter David and Hilda David.

We would be pleased to have our friends and patrons in all parts of the county favor us with personal and social news of interest to their friends and acquaintances, in addition to other interesting news. The name of the sender should be enclosed however.

The strawberry festival now being held under the auspices of the Volunteer Hose Company will be continued this (Saturday) evening, and our people should show their appreciation by patronizing the "fire fighters," and assist in making the festival a financial success.

Baker Bros., of Aberdeen, Md., have purchased of Mrs. John S. Crouch the lot on West Lake street, adjoining the railroad, and will soon commence the erection of their proposed new corn canning establishment thereon. They will have it ready for this season's pack, contracts for corn having been made.

It is said that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will run passenger trains over the Delaware Division on Sunday this comming summer. The Sunday trains may be the two New York and Norfolk express trains that pass through Middletown at 11.38 south, and 4.17 north bound.

Miss Mary Hutchin will give the last of her musicals for the season on Saturday afternoon, May 21st in the New Century Club Room. These musical events have been much appreciated and enjoyed by our people, the teacher and pupils displaying much skill in them any pretty selections so ably rendered, in the previous recitals.

The ladies of the Woman's Home Missionary Society having the rummage sale in charge have decided to hold an auction sale in the room in the Town Hall this evening, when they will dispose of the articles not sold, thus closing the sale. They have realized $87.90, and have many pretty and useful articles left, but will doubtless dispose of them at this sale.

Washington Camp, No. 9, P. O. S. of A. of this town, will hold a strawberry festival in the Opera House, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, May 24th, 25th and 26th. Strawberries, ice cream, cake, etc., will be served, and on Thursday evening a dance will be given. Middletown Orchestra will furnish music. The last trolley car will leave for Odessa immediately after the dance.

Arrangements have been completed by which Cass street will be opened up as far north as Lockwood street next spring and the coming summer two or more modern homes will be erected on the west side of the new extension. Clerk of the Orphans' Court Joseph C. Jolls has purchased one of the corner lots, and plans are now being drawn for two homes, which will be equipped with all the modern improvements.

The children and friends of Blackbird Public School had their annual May outing on Friday. Mr. Henry Schafer extended a cordial invitation to them to go on his farm, which offer was taken advantage of. The afternoon was spent in playing games, etc., but the warm condition of the atmosphere made one want to be still. Cake, lemonade, candy and bananas were served in abundance, and every child was given a bag of peanuts when ready to go home. The boys and girls took great delight in the bag races and running races.

The carelessness of parents in permitting the children to run at will upon, and in the middle of the public highways, will some day result in a fatal accident, and now that the trolleys pass through Main street 30 times each day, the parents should use every effort to keep their small children off the streets. After the little one is killed or crippled for life, it will be too late to begin this task, but to-day is the time to stop and consider what may happen to-morrow if the little one is permitted to run when and where he desires. It is not an unusual sight to see little tots of three and four years playing along the most frequented thoroughfares of our town, and many serious accidents have been luckily avoided.

CHURCH NOTES

Bishop Coleman will visit St. Anne's Church to-morrow morning, preaching and administering confirmation. All are cordially invited.

Rev. C. T. Wyatt, D. D., will preach a special sermon to the Imp. O. R. M., on Sunday morning, May 22d, in Bethesda M. E. Church and the local lodge will attend the services in a body.

Bethesda Epworth League meets in the lecture room of the M. E. Church every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "Epworth League Anniversary Day." Special Temperance Program. Leader, Mrs. Margaret Darlington.

To-morrow morning at Bethesda M. E. Church the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society will hold their annual Thank-Offering Service. Mrs. R. H. Matlack of Wilmington, will be present and make an address. An interesting program has been prepared, and a full house is desired.

The fifteenth anniversary of the Epworth League will be observed at Bethesda M. E. Church to-morrow evening. An interesting program will be rendered. The pastor will deliver an address, and the music will be an interesting feature.

Dr. J. O. Spencer, President of Morgan College, delivered an address at the Preachers' Institute in Dales Church last Wednesday morning. In the afternoon he gave a talk on the war between Japan and Russia. Dr. Spencer was a missionary in Japan 15 years, and is familiar with the theatre of war.

The Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church, meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "What Joseph and Benjamin Teach about Brotherly Care." Gen. 43:20-31, 34; 45; 14-21. (Union meeting with the Juniors.) Leader, Miss May Holten.

ALFRED POWELL ARRESTED

DOVER, DEL., May 12th.—Immediately after the sentencing of Mrs. Mary A. Powell this afternoon, State Detectives Francis and Ratledge went out to the Powell farm near Bowers' Beach and arrested Alfred M. Powell on a charge of acting improperly toward little Georgianna Ford, who lived with the family. The girl is but twelve years old.

Powell was working when the detectives accosted him and said he was too busy to go to Dover. The detectives commanded him to get into their carriage, and he went along without any trouble. The alleged offence, on which he was arrested, was committed on January 20th, last, according to the warrant.

The penalty upon conviction is one thousand dollars' fine and seven years' imprisonment. At the hearing he was held in $200 bail for county court.

Powell secured bail late in the afternoon and was released from jail in less than an hour after his confinement. R. R. Kenney, his counsel, secured Louis A. Levy, a Dover distiller, for security. Powell returned to the farm, where he is now sole owner, having purchased Mrs. Powell's entire share of the property on which he was arrested by Ratledge and Francis this afternoon.

PERSONALITIES

Miss May Smith, of Cecilton, was in town Saturday.

Mrs. J. Z Crossland visited relatives in Wilmington Wednesday.

Father Charles McGoldrick, of Easton, Md., was in town this week.

Miss Ada Roberts was the guest of friends in Odessa Wednesday.

Miss Ethel Gill spent several days this week with Townsend relatives.

Mr. Daniel W. Stevens visited his brother in Philadelphia over Sunday.

Mr. Edgar Rowe, of Jersey City, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Rowe.

Mrs. T. E. Hurn was the guest of relatives in Bear Station several days this week.

Miss Hattie Cullen was the guest of relatives and friends in Wilmington over Sunday.

Mr. M. Clendaniel and brother, of Kennedyville, Md., were in town several days this week.

Miss Katherine Pennington, of Wilmington, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Grace H. Parvis.

Mr. Dennis Pope, of Baltimore, spent a few days this week with his brother, John R. Pope, near Middletown.

Miss Emma Brown has returned from an extended visit with Philadelphia and New Jersey friends and relatives.

Miss Sallie Crossland, of Wilmington, was entertained over Sunday by her brother, Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Crossland.

TOWNSEND

Mr. Edward Hart was in Wilmington Tuesday.

Miss Julia Wells was in Middletown this week.

John McGuire, of Philadelphia, was in town Sunday.

Mr. D. B. Maloney visited Philadelphia last Friday.

Miss Helen Weldon spent Sunday with Miss Margaret Weldon.

Rev. J. W. Jones was in Wilmington and Baltimore this week.

Messrs. Raymond and Charles Watts were in Cecilton Sunday.

Miss Ethel Gill, of Middletown, visited Mrs. Benjamin Wells this week.

Mrs. Mary Daniels has returned after visiting friends in Camden, N. J.

Rev. C. K. Morris, of Golt, visited his daughter, Mrs. George Watts, Saturday.

Mrs. Gardner Shockley and daughter, Mary, spent Sunday with Mrs. Mary H. Daniels.

Miss Bessie Phillps, of near Delaware City, was entertained on Sunday by Miss Bessie Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob VanDyke spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George VanDyke.

Mrs. Charles Larrimore, of Bristol, Pa., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Watts, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Scott and daughter, Mrs. L. L. Maloney, were in Wilmington Saturday.

Miss Mamie Townsend, of Philadelphia, visited her sister, Mrs. Walter Gill, a few days this week.

Mrs. Howard Townsend who has been visiting relatives in Philadelphia, returned home Tuesday.

Hart Scott, Howard VanDyke and sister Annie spent Sunday with Mr. Horace VanDyke near Smyrna.

Mrs. James Wilson and son Reynolds, were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, on Saturday.

Mrs. Samuel Watts and daughter, Mrs. Charles Larrimore, were guests of relatives in Cecilton this week.

Bishop Coleman will preach in St. Mary's Chapel to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock. All are invited.

THE OUTLOOK GOOD

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company began Tuesday an inspection of the fruit conditions, orchards, vineyards and gardens of the peninsula with a view to estimating upon the fruit yeild of this year and arranging to handle with despatch the immense yield expected from Delaware and Maryland because of the favorable fruit conditions.

J. D. Remington, the special agent from the Pennsylvania's freight department sent through Delaware to make the estimate, arrived in Dover Tuesday, and reports that an immense yield is expected if conditions continue anything like as favorable as now. The peaches, a much larger number of which will be in bearing this year because of the spurt in this industry three years ago, have now only to escape the "June drop" and some violent electrical storms which may come.

Mr. Remington is making his canvass especially to sysmetamtize the handling of iced cars. The demand for refrigerator cars in handling the enormous berry and small fruit crops expected to be harvested in Georgia, beginning next week, has placed refrigerator cars in great demand.

INFORMTION INCORRECT

A telegram recieved from Dr. Isaac West, formerly of Dover, and who was reported to have been confined in a penitentiary in California for murder, states that the information so reported is incorrect. A further letter from Dr. West received Saturday states that he is now in Dallas, Texas, where he has lived for many years, and as a proof of his upright life, which he is endeavoring to lead, he has been elected president of the Medical Board of Dallas. The information so received at Dover and which has been reported, was secured from the Botkin witnesses who recently returned from California, who were sincere in their account, being informed by the California authorities, that the man so imprisoned in the state penitentiary in California was a Dr. Issac West, hence the supposition that he was the Delaware Dr. West made it the more certain.

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ODESSA

Miss Elizabeth Cattes is the guest of her cousin, Miss Emma B. Eccles.

Rev. J. M. Arters visited his parents in Crumpton Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Henrietta Neal, of Baltimore, Md., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. R. I. Hallett.

Mrs. J. B. Brackette is being entertained at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Smyth.

Miss Emma B. Eccles returned last Friday from a very pleasant visit with friends in Wilmington.

Mrs. H. V. Woodall is at the University Hospital in Baltimore, Md., undergoing special treatment.

Miss Martha Townsend returned home Tuesday from an extended visit with relatives in Wilmington.

Miss Lucy Appleton entertained Miss Margaret Prettyman, of Wilmington, from Saturday until Monday.

Mrs. B. F. Veasey and son Harold, of Wilmington, were entertained by Mrs. William H. Eccles on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. F. W. Curtis and children have returned to their home in Newark after spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Corbit.

Mr. Edmund S. Stevens who has been suffering with an attack of rheumatism has sufficently recovered to return and resume his duties in Scranton, Pa.

To-morrow (Sunday) being the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Epworth League, the local chapter will observe the occasion with appropriate services at 7.30 P. M., when Rev. J. M. Arters will deliver the address of the evening, his subject being "The Ox and His Owner." There will also be special music and select readings by members of the chapter.

On Wednesday evening, May 18th, Dr. Henry Field Smith of this town, will give a lecture and stereopticon views in the auditorium of St. Paul's M. E. Church. His subject will be "A Holiday Trip in Europe." This lecture is given for the benefit of the Sunday School. No admission will be charged but a silver offering will be taken. This promises to be a rare treat. All who do not wish to miss it will be present Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Townsend--Gilmore Wedding

A very quiet wedding took place near Kirkwood on Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob B. Cazier when their daughter, Mrs. Edna Cazier Gilmore was united in marriage to Mr. George L. Townsend, Jr., of this place. Only the immediate families of the contracting parties witnessed the ceremony. Mr. Townsend is one of Odessa's popular young men, and has many friends here, all of whom wish them a happy married life. They will reside in this town.

WARWICK

Our public schools will close the 27th inst.

Miss Estelle Marsh resumed her duties in Philadelphia on Friday.

School Examiner George Biddle, of Elkton, was in town Thursday.

Children's Day will be observed in Warwick M. P. Church on May 29th.

Quite a number from town attended the Barnum and Bailey circus in Wilmington on Saturday.

Miss Elsie Marsh has returned home after a lengthy visit with her friend, Miss Estelle Lynch, in Westminster.

John R. H. Price and R. B. Merritt were at the convention which convened in Elkton on Tuesday, Mr. Merritt being Secretary.

"What Joseph and Benjamin teach about brotherly care," Gen. 43:29-31; 45; 22. (Union meeting with the Juniors.) is the subject for the Christian Endeavor prayer meeting to-morrow evening.

Rolls of Honor

The following pupils of Warwick Public Schools have attained the average of 90 per cent. and over for the month of April: 7th grade—Paul Marsh, Ethel Vinyard, Edgar Bishop, Emma Vinyard. 5th grade—Stella Bishop, Jodie Stearns, Katie Carroll, Clara Price, Mamie Merritt, Jesse Vinyard, Ella Lockerman. 4th grade—Lester Bishop, Elsie Clayton, Bertha Lynch. 3d grade—Rodney Price, Howard Bishop, Hartly Thornton, Francis Marsh, Guy Lockerman, Willie Pierce, Mary Clayton.

For LEVY COURT COMMISSIONER
6th Senatorial District,
St. Georges and Pencader Hundreds,
THOS. E. HURN,
of St. Georges Hundred.
Subject to Decision of Republican Party.

MRS. POWELL SENTENCE FOR LIFE

DOVER, DEL., May 12th.—Abrupt and unexpectedly, Mrs. Powell's fight against life imprisonment came to an end to-day, and the woman, almost frantic, is now in jail, paying the penalty of her crime. Her determination had characterized her in everything since her arrest for the murder of her foster daughter on Feb. 9th, but all day Attorney-General Ward began his heart-searching cross examination, and the woman became a wreck of her former self. She first begged her council to fight the verdict for her, then sent for them to aba don the fight, then wanted something done again, then become so unbalanced that she did not know what she wanted. To-day, after all preparations had been made for a fight against the verdict and after her jurors had all been summoned to court to testify for or against two of their colleagues who were charged with bearing false witness, the whole thing was dropped, and Mrs. Powell was brought into court and sentenced to imprisonment for life, shortly before noon.

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NOTICE!

The town and schools need money due for taxes for the years 1902 and 1903, and the commissioners have given peremptory orders for their immediate collection, I therefore request every one whose taxes are unpaid to call at my home or at the office of L. C. Scott and settle the same at once. After May 14th all unsettled taxes will be collected, with cost, in the manner provided by the law, as I cannot extend the time any longer.

Please save yourself this annoyance and extra expense.

By order of the Board of Town Commissioners.

T. E. HURN, Collector.

TRUSTEE'S SALE
—OF—
Real Estate!

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court, of the State of Delaware in and for New Castle County, made on the 28th day of March A. D. 1904, will be exposed to sale at Public Vendue, on

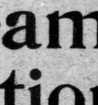
Wedn'day, June 1st, '04

At 9.30 o'clock, A. M.,

At the Hotel of John P. McIntyre, in the Town of Middletown, Delaware, the following described Real Estate late of Jacob B. Mifflin, deceased, to-wit:

All that farm or tract of land, situate in St. Georges Hundred, New Castle County, Delaware, bounded by Drawyer's Creek, lands formerly of Lydia Simms, deceased, the State Road leading from McDonough to Odessa, in New Castle County, aforesaid, and land now or formerly of one Lambert,

Containing about 88 Acres.



The improvements consist of a two-story frame dwelling, granary, stable and other out buildings, all in good condition. The land is first-class and in a high state of cultivation.

Attendance will be given and terms made known by J. FRANK BIGGS, TRUSTEE, or by his Attorney.

Attest: JOSEPH C. JOLLS, Clerk Orphans' Court.

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Boys' High Grade Shoes, $3.

Douglas Make.

All kinds of leather and plenty of styles.

Boys' High Grade Shoes and Oxfords, $2, $2.50.

In patent leather, enamel, vici kid and box calf. No better shoe can be sold at the price.

The "Walton" Shoes for Boys, $1.50.

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Examinations for entrance will be held in the College on September 13th and 14th 1904.

Candidates should present themselves for examination in June, as they will then have opportunity to make up at the examination at the College in September any deficiencies that may be discovered.

Tuition free to all students from Delaware.

For any information about the College write to the President. Catalogues sent upon application.

GEO. A. HARTER President.

GEOFFRY'S INHERITANCE

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK]

CHAPTER V

When Sir Jasper arrived at Holmhurst, after safely bestowing Geoffry in the village inn, he was welcomed by the old butler with the glad respect of an ancient and faithful servant.

Her ladyship will be glad to see you, sir, he said, showing the Baronet into the library.

Sir Jasper stopped him hurriedly.

Look here, Joscelyn, he said—can you manage to let me see Lady Graham before mentioning my arrival to any one else? If she is in the grounds, I will go to her.

Her ladyship is speaking to Macpherson in the vinery, Sir Jasper, was Joscelyn's reply; and the Baronet, saying he would see her there, hurried off on his anxious but joyful errand.

Seeing Sir Jasper's unusual excitement, Lady Graham, with a sudden thrill of expectation, met him half-way across the lawn.

Maxwell was down at Hilary, he commenced, with a flush on his honest face which told of the strife within, when your letter about Geoffry arrived, and he sent me down to have a little chat about it with you. Did Lady Erndale know you had written?

No, was Molly's tremulous answer—no—she knew nothing of my letter; but—tears choked her voice, and for some moments she could not speak—I think, if we had tidings now of Geoffry, it would be too late. She will never live to see him again.

In his delight and haste Sir Jasper threw prudence to the winds.

Too late, he exclaimed in a voice husky from excitement—too late, Molly, if I brought him to you here now?

Pale as death, Lady Graham swayed, and would have fallen if Sir Jasper had not caught her in his strong arms.

I am a brute, he said remorsefully, and not fit for an errand like this! But cheer up, my dear, for, as sure as I live, the lost heir of Erndale is found!

It was some moments before the tide of Lady Graham's emotion could be stemmed or her intense agitation in any degree subdued, but at last she raised her swimming eyes to the old Baronet's face and prayed him to tell her all.

It's a long story, he began, sitting down beside her on a rustic seat and holding her trembling hand in his own big brown palm—a long story, my dear, but I'll make it as short as I can. Your brother was kidnapped at the instigation of the man Thomas Seaton who tried for the Erndale peerage long ago. Registered falsely as Seaton's own child, he was reported dead to the man employed to steal him. But this man, Callagan, suspected a trick, and discovered that instead of Geoffry's death that of Thomas Seaton's own boy had taken place; and now, after all these years, when we advertised for this Callagan, he turns up and confesses everything; and, Molly, my dear, the tenant of Hilary Dower House—the Tom Archer or Tom Seaton I had already learned to love—is no other than Geoffry Erndale, your long-lost brother!

Molly's eyes were shining, and the tears had dried on her glowing cheeks.

Bring him to me here—at once! she cried passionately, her voice breaking in strong emotion. And stay to help me to break these happy tidings to my mother!

Yes—I'll gladly stay, child, was the old Baronet's cheery reply. And I'll go and fetch Geoffry myself—he's pacing about like a caged lion at the village inn!

Then Molly stole softly into Lady Erndale's room and told her their old friend Sir Jasper Hilary had called to see them.

May he come up, mother mine, presently? she asked fondly; and Lady Erndale looked up, surprised.

You seem so bright and happy, Molly, she said gently—happier than you have looked since James left. Yes—I will see Sir Jasper, she went on, with a faint smile. I fear he has many anxieties and troubles, dear, and we must persuade him to let Betty come to us for a time, for, after all, an only child is a very lonely creature.

Lady Graham's fair face was turned aside. She remembered with a throb of ecstasy that the mother who spoke so feelingly of an only child's loneliness had now two to claim her love and care; and she went over to the window and gazed out feverishly at the fair scene, and watched for the coming joy, at the very thought of which her heart felt as if it must burst.

I will go down now, darling mother, she said at last, finding it impossible to remain quiet any longer; and I'll bring Sir Jasper up presently.

And Lady Erndale drew down the sweet flushed face and kissed it, bidding Molly take good care of the old Baronet and see that he had everything he wanted.

Meanwhile Sir Jasper, nearing the village inn, found Geoffry not pacing about like a caged lion in the best parlor as he expected, but pacing along the road leading to Holmhurst.

I could not wait, he said hastily—how was it possible? My mother—does she know? Does she believe that I am indeed her son?

Your mother knows nothing yet, Geoffry, said Sir Jasper, laying a restraining hand on his companion's arm and turning back with him to Holmhurst. But your sister knows everything, and is waiting impatiently to welcome you. She has prayed me—me, of all people in the world!—to prepare your mother for the shock of this great joy. By Heaven, I've prayed as I never did before that it may not kill her; but my heart misgives me sorely!

The two strode on in silence.

See—who is that waiting at those gates? asked the young Earl suddenly. Who is it?

It is Molly! cried Sir Jasper, choking with excitement.

But, almost before the words left his lips, Geoffry sprang forward and clasped his sister in his arms.

And the old Baronet, standing aside, thanked Heaven and took courage.

It was my fault you were taken from us, dear! she whispered, at last, as her sobs ceased and her tender arms clung round her brother's neck. It was my fault—mine—mine only!

No—a thousand times no! was the young Earl's passionate reply. And, now I've come back, will you be ashamed of your rude rough brother, dear?

Her lovely eyes shining through her tears, she pressed fondly to his cheek, were answer enough, and then Molly turned her glowing face to Sir Jasper.

Go to our mother, dearest, kindest friend, she said, trembling with the intensity of her joy, and we will come to her door with you, and wait and pray outside!

Amen! said the Baronet heartily.

But he would rather have walked up to the mouth of a loaded cannon than have crossed the threshold of Lady Erndale's room with the tremendous tidings he had consented to break to one so frail and tender.

Sir Jasper found Lady Erndale greatly altered and pitifully fragile. The hand she gave him lay like a feather in his strong clasp, and for the moment his heart quailed at the task before him.

But Lady Erndale herself began the subject nearest her heart.

You find me changed? she said sorrowfully. Yes—I am changed. I shall never live to see my child—my Geoffry—again! Something here—she went on with feeble passion, laying her hand close to her fluttering heart—something here tells me he is not dead; but he is dead to me—I shall never look on his face again!

Sir Jasper essayed to speak cheerfully, but his voice was painfully husky.

I shall never give up hope about anything, he said at last by a happy inspiration, particularly after hearing what a man told me the other day.

And, as Lady Erndale looked up, faintly interested, the Baronet went on without a pause.

It was a case so like your own, he said hurriedly, that it made my ears tingle to hear it. But all came right at the end, and the lost child was found long after he had grown up to manhood.

Into Lady Erndale's pale cheeks an ominous spot of crimson had stolen, and, grasping the arms of her chair with shaking hands, she raised herself and fixed her shining eyes on Sir Jasper's face.

And the name of the child who was found—grown up? she said in a low strained voice; whilst the Baronet gazed helplessly at her, his honest eyes dim and troubled, and a dusky red creeping into his bronzed and weather-beaten face.

The look of agonized entreaty in Lady Erndale's eyes unmanned Sir Jasper completely, and in desperation he gave the signal for Molly to come in. She glided quickly to her mother's side.

Mother, she said fondly, Heaven has been good to us—our prayers have been granted! You have not hoped in vain!

Blindly the poor mother stretched forth imploring hands, and the next moment Geoffry's arms were round her. But in the ecstasy of the moment Lady Erndale had fainted, and lay like one dead on the breast of her son—once lost, but now found, once dead and now alive again!

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At Hilary Manor Betty's time was pretty well filled up by going to and from the Dower House in tender efforts to soothe the heart-broken foster-mother of Geoffry Erndale. The terrible shock of Callagan's confession, of Geoffry's real parentage, and the agony of yielding him up to another had almost broken her heart, and left her in a state so exhausted that Doctor Giles plainly told Betty he feared the worst; and, although no immediate danger was to be apprehended, he believed she would quietly slip out of life like a vessel which had lost its anchor and must needs drift out to sea.

What Lord Erndale will do between the two women whose lives are bound up in him, said the worthy doctor, with a puzzled frown, I don't know. Death alone can cut the Gordian knot, and I think in Mrs. Seaton's case, it is not far off.

She does not know that Lord Erndale has gone to his mother, said Betty anxiously; but she suspects it, I am certain. Doctor, the girl added, laying her little hand on his arm impulsively, you will not let her die without seeing him again?

My dear, I am not the Master of life and death, was the solemn answer. But, so far as human science goes, if immediate danger were threatened, I would telegraph at once. And you must remember Lady Ernuale is in no less a critical state, and he is her own son.

I do remember, said Betty, tears falling from her lovely eyes; but that very fact will sustain her life. This poor creature has lost all and the wish to live is taken away.

I know, I know! Doctor Giles replied hastily. I'll come in again to-night, Miss Betty, and you'll be sure to have another letter or wire before then.

So Betty betook herself to the sick woman's chamber, and strove with every gentle article to cheer and comfort the long-suffering patient.

The nurse had gone down to tea when Mrs. Seaton turned wistfully to the girl beside her and asked with pitiful earnestness if she knew Lady Erndale well.

Yes, dear—very well, was Betty's quiet answer, holding the poor trembling hand closely in her own. She is like you, very frail and delicate, and her life has been a sad one.

I did not know—I could not know! wailed Mrs. Seaton. Oh, she has suffered more than I have suffered, and he is her own son!

He has two very sweet mothers, I think, said Betty softly. Some have never known a mother's love and care.

Dear, said the poor broken-hearted woman, I am nothing, and you are as far above me as a queen! But, if I had only been blessed with a daughter, I could not have loved her more than I love you.

Her voice trembled and broke, and slow tears rolled down her cheeks. Betty kneeled down beside the bed and took the frail hands in hers.

Would it make you happier to know that Geoffry loves me, dear, she said very softly, and that we both love you, mother?

Over the weary face a look of intense gladness spread and transfigured it as she held out her arms to the kneeling girl.

My own dear Betty! was all she said; but it was more than enough, and for a little while the poor wounded soul seemed struggling back to life and hope from the dim borderland towards which it had been drifting.

CHAPTER IX

Sir Jasper and Geoffry had both wired to Betty, the former announcing his return and saying that all was well, and the latter adding anxious inquiries about his foster-mother. But on the second day of their absence a change for the worst set in, and Doctor Giles told Betty that Mrs. Seaton's powers of life were gradually but surely failing.

I will telegraph to Lord Erndale at once, he said hurriedly. He can be spared now that all is right, and will be quite just now in here.

So it came to pass that even in the first few hours of reunion and joy Geoffry's heart was pierced by the keenest pang he had ever known in his life. Joy seldom killed, he knew; and the young Earl, holding his mother in his arms during her death-like swoon, had at last seen her eyes unclose and a look of ineffable joy light up her still fair face. Holding her hand in his, feeling his kiss on her cheek, seemed to bring back to her life and strength and youth as surely as the renunciation of the son of her love was killing that other mother—near in maternal tenderness if not in kin—far away at Hilary.

Business demanded the young Earl's presence in London, and Lady Erndale knew he must leave her for a time. So, when Doctor Giles's telegram was put into his hands, he never allowed her to guess the contents, and she imagined it referred to business connected with the proofs of his identity, whilst Geoffry, hurrying off to catch the express from Worchester, was soon being rapidly whirled along to Hilary, arriving late in the autumn evening at Monk Hampton, where a carriage from the Dower House was waiting.

The young Earl was surprised to see Callagan on the platform, awaiting the arrival of the trail, and still more surprised when the man advanced eagerly to meet him.

Didn't the missis say as Thomas Seaton wur dead? he asked hoarsely as Lord Erndale came up. Wur she with him when he died? For, as sure as there is a Heaven above us, I saw him in Monk Hampton last night!

The man's agitation was so real and his excitement so intense that Geoffry felt there was something more than imagination in his story.

I think she was with him just before his death, he replied, after a moment's pause. But I know she was taken ill either then or immediately afterwards and could not leave her bed.

It's just as I've been thinking, then! said Callagan, wiping the sweat from his brow. I said as how I doubted Thomas Seaton even when he wur dead, and now I believe his death wur a fluke and he's hangin' about here for no good.

Will you remain here, said Lord Erndale a little anxiously, for he was thinking of his foster-mother and what Callagan's story might mean to her—will you remain here and try to find out whether the man you saw is really Thomas Seaton? he asked, after a moment's pause. And, if you will drive with me to the police station, I will tell the inspector to give you every help in his power. There is sickness at the Dower House, the Earl went on sadly, and I have been telegraphed for to go at once to my foster-mother. I cannot stay to help you.

If there wur a-many like you, said Callagan bluntly, the world 'ud be a deal better for it. I'll come with you to the p'lice station, for I'm not afeared ye,ll hand me over for what's past. But me mind misgives me that Thomas Seaton 'nd hand me over if he wur in yer place—and maybe he'll do it yet if ever he gets the chance.

What can Thomas Seaton's motive be for pretending to be dead if the man you have seen is he? Lord Erndale asked as they drove to the station.

Naught but cussedness, said Callagan savagely. He wanted to palm you off as his own son, and not the child he made me steal; and he kep' close to see how things wur turning out. He didn't think as I'd turn Queen's evidence by no manner of means, and if he gets a chance he'll kill me for it.

Nearly every one seemed to know the particulars of the great Erndale case, and the inspector remembered Thomas Seaton's threats of vengeance.

We'll have him watched, my lord, he said, after hearing Callagan's story, if Callagan can point him out to one of our men. Here, Jenkins, he added, calling to a constable outside—you're told off for special duty—in plain clothes, you know—in order to watch a man who's supposed to be lurking about in Monk Hampton! He's the man who tried for the Erndale title and estates, and gave himself out as dead sometime ago. This man—indicating Callagan—will point him out to you; and, as you've heard all about his spite towards the Erndales when he failed to win his case, you'll know you've a rough customer to deal with.

The constable went off to change his clothes. It was nearly dark when Callagan and his companion went out into the streets of Monk Hampton in the hope of finding Thomas Seaton. Callagan had nothing with him but a thick stick, but the constable was fully armed, and carried handcuffs with him. Together they went down the high street; but, separating later, the constable walked on as if there were no connection between himself and his companion.

They had walked thus for nearly an hour, and the shops were beginning to close, save a few eating houses and tobacconists, whose very trade made them keep late hours. Issuing from one of the latter where the shutters were already up, only a single gas-jet burning at the counter near the door, a short and thick-set man paused; and it happened as he did so that the light fell full upon his face, revealing to Callagan the villainous features and unlovely shape of the man who had lured him into dangerous crime, and was now, he doubted not, come to wreak his vengeance both on himself and the innocent victims of his treachery.

Callagan, shaking in every limb, saw and recognized his enemy, and with a swift unseen movement dashed quickly across the road and hurried down the dark ill-lighted street to the policeman, who was still standing there.

Turn back yonder, he gasped, his breath coming in thick heavy sobs—turn back yonder! He's standin' there—there!—pointing wildly to the cigar shop, and clutching the policeman's arm as he spoke.

The constable crossed at once, and Seaton stood smoking and chatting to the man inside the shop. Purchasing a cigar, the policeman joined in the conversation in a friendly way, and took but scant notice of the other customer.

Many of the gentry are away just now, the tobacconist was saying. Sir Henry Grosvenor—he's away on some Government business in Spain, and of course the young Earl has taken possession of Erndale yet.

The Earl! said Seaton spitefully. No more Earl than you are, I guess! It's some un's a-playin' on the lawyers—that's what it is! Is this "Earl" as you call him—is he anywhere about here, d'ye know?

He wur wired for this morning, said the tobacconist, leaning over the counter and speaking confidentially. One of the grooms comed here on his way to the Dower House and sed as Mrs. Seaton was wuss and not expected to live.

Mrs. Seaton! growled the man. Who's she? And what has she to do with your "Earl"?

Why, he thinks as how she wur his mother, till he found out different the other day, said the tobacconist; and, by all folks say, he's as fond of her as if he wur her son.

Well, mates, said Seaton gruffly, I'll have to be goin', so good night to ye—and to yer "Earl" too! he added to himself, turning off in the direction of Hilary, the constable and Callagan following at a safe distance, Callagan, having come up at a signal from the policeman, gripping his stick viciously as he did so.

On they tramped in the still autumn night, with the heavens above clear and luminous, keeping on the grass by the roadside when they could, or turning into a field whenever it was possible, so that their footsteps were inaudible to the man they were tracking, absorbed as he was in his own guilty and revengeful thoughts.

So, when they reached the gate of the Dower House; they waited a while to see him push his way through the hedge, crossing the shrubbery with slow noiseless footsteps.

Now, my man, said the policeman to Callagan, we'll follow in his tracks and be at the house before he can get up to us.

And, suiting the action to the words, they hurried on and hid in the thick belt of trees to watch Seaton's movements.

It was very evident he had no intention of ringing the bell and asking for Geoffry or his wife. He was lurking and spying for some other purpose, and Callagan's blood so boiled at the sight of him that he would have rushed on his enemy recklessly had not the policeman grasped his arm and compelled him to remain.

The library was lighted and the windows were open to the ground, and the watchers could distinctly see the interior of the room. As they watched, Lord Erndale entered, his face showing traces of strong emotion; and, throwing himself into a chair, he covered his face with his hands, whilst something very like a sob burst from him in his agony.

Then Callagan saw Seaton draw nearer to the open window, and the barrel of a revolver gleamed in his merciless hand. On the instant the constable's grasp on his arm relaxed, and both men threw themselves on the would-be murderer, and a desperate struggle ensued.

When Lord Erndale had arrived at the Dower House, Sir Jasper had drawn him up-stairs at once, knowing that the time for delay was past and done with.

She longs for you, Geoffry, he had said with a catch in his kind voice.

The Earl had only pressed Sir Jasper's hand, and then had passed softly into his foster-mother's chamber. Betty's tender arms had been round her, and the dying head had been supported on her bosom; and Geoffry, stealing to the other side, had drawn her closer to his own heart.

Mother, he had whispered fondly, I am here—your child, your son always!

Sight and sense had been failing fast, but the beloved voice had brought them back for a brief space, and a look of ineffable love had lighted up the dying face. She had felt feebly for Betty's hand, and had laid it in Geoffry's; and so, with both her children by her side and their hands clasped in hers, the gentle heart of the woman who had suffered so intensely had ceased to beat, and the soul had sought and had found its rest in another world.

Geoffry Erndale, fighting with the first terrible sorrow of his life, little thought the moments of that life were nearly numbered by the stealthy watcher crouching with murderous intent outside; and, when at last he was aroused by the sound of the desperate struggle without and heard the report of a pistol and a heavy fall he reached the window in a single bound, and in a moment found himself in the midst of a confused struggle, and knew that one dark figure had fallen almost at his very feet.

It is all right, my lord, the constable said coolly. He tried his best to shoot your lordship, but we were too quick for him, and he shot hisself instead. No—he isn't dead, the policemen went on, as Lord Erndale stooped over the prostrate form, but he soon will be if we don't fetch a doctor.

Doctor Giles is here now, announced the Earl hastily, as the old physician, startled by the pistol shot, suddenly entered the library and hastened to the side of the wounded man.

His examination was brief and skilful.

We must bring him in here, he said gravely, for I fear he has not long to live.

No—I'm done for, the man gasped faintly; and you've won—curse you!—to Lord Erndale, who stood near. Where's the snivelling woman you call mother?

Doctor Giles stooped over the wretched sufferer and spoke with grave rebuke.

Your wife, Thomas Seaton—for he had divined at once who the man was—died an hour ago, he said solemnly. Emphatically she died of a broken heart. What was your motive in all this tissue of fraud and treachery? Why, after robbing Geoffry Erndale of his inheritance, did you try to win it back for him as your own son?

To share the plunder, gasped the man, and fell back fainting in the doctor's arms.

The ball has pierced the lungs, the doctor said gravely, and cannot be removed. Internal hemorrhage has set in, but he will regain consciousness, and every word he says must be taken down.

Yes—to share the plunder! gasped Seaton later on, looking round the library with dull wondering eyes, and seeing Geoffry with Sir Jasper and the doctor standing by his side. Yes—I've been a thief all my life—nothin' else. I stole Viscount Erndale's papers. I forged what I didn't steal, and I took the name he chose to go by—Seaton—to make good my story, and then I stole you!—to Geoffry. I wur nothin' to the Viscount. He never married, and never had a child. It wur a toss-up whether I'd shoot you or that spy—this informer!

Blood choked his utterance, and the doctor raised him gently and wiped away the thin crimson stream that issued from his lips. Suddenly—he seemed to gather strength for a final effort.

The pistol—quick! I'll shoot him now! he gasped.

But it was too late. Blood gushed from his nose and mouth, and the wretched man fell dead in the presence of those he had wronged so bitterly.

Lady Erndale did not die. In the joy of her son's presence she revived, as flowers revive in the sun, and she lived to return with him to Erndale, where for a brief space Lady Graham's children filled the old mansion with brightness.

Thither Betty and Sir Jasper Hilary came also on a visit, leaving only to take up their abode at the Dower House, whilst preparations for the marriage went on apace, and the ancient Manor House was being restored in a manner worthy of the grand old race to whom it belonged.

Long however before the restoration was completed, the marriage of Geoffry and Betty took place, and a fairer bride perhaps never knelt to receive the nuptial benediction.

The bridal tour was not a long one, at Lady Erndale's faltering request.

I lost you for over fifteen years, my darling, she said to Geoffry, and now every day will seem an age until I see you again. Betty dear, plead for me too!

And so at the end of a month they returned to Erndale.

One incident alone they were never likely to forget. As the joy-bell rang out from the old church in the valley, and the woods, in their September glory of gold and crimson, lay sleeping in the moonlight, Geoffry drew his bride out upon the terrace and looked into her eyes with passionate love.

It is like a dream, he whispered softly. Betty, if it all were to fade, and I stood here the lowly obscure Tom Archer again, what would my darling say?

The sweet eyes shone and a lovely color flooded the fair cheeks.

So long as you did not fade, all else might go! she cried in a little burst of passion. Geoffry, don't you believe now that I love you for yourself alone?

The Earl stooped and kissed her fondly and, as the joy-bells rang out again, he whispered tenderly—

I do indeed believe it, my darling! Do you know what those bells are saying, Betty? They tell you that Geoffry's best inheritance is your own dear love!

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"p" Stops to leave passengers from Middletown and points south.
"r" Stops to leave passengers from New York Division.
"t" Connects at Seaford for and from all stations on Cambridge & Seaford R R
"g" Connects at Townsend for and from all stations on the Queen Anne & Kent Railroad.
"v" Connects at Harrington from stations between Lewes and Harrington.
"x" Connects at Clayton for and from all stations on Delaware & Chesapeake Ry.
"w" Connects at Delmer with New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk Railroad to and from all points between Delmar and Pocomoke.

BRANCH ROADS.
DELAWARE, MARYLAND & VIRGINIA R. R. Leave Harrington for Franklin City and way stations 10.36 a m 5.55 p m week days. Returning train leaves Franklin City 6.00 a. m. and 12.0- p. m. week days.
Leave Franklin City for Chincoteague (via steamer) 1.30 and 8.50 p.m. week days Returning leave Chincoteague 10.45 a. m., and 5.30 p. m., week-days.
Leave Harrington for Georgetown and Lewes 10.36 a. m., 5.55 p. m., week days Returning, leave Lewes 8.45 a m and 1.36 p m week-days
Leave Harrington for Rehoboth 10.36 a m Returning, leave Rehoboth 1 13 p m, Tuesday Thursday and Saturdays
Leave Harrington for Berlin, 10.36 a. m. and 5.55 p. m. week days. Returning, leave Berlin 6.56 a m and 12.56 p. m. week days.
Leave Massey for Chestertown and way stations 9.50 a. m. and 5.16 p. m. week-days Returning, leave Chestertown 7.18 a. m. and 2.35 p. m. week-days.
QUEEN ANNE & KENT R. R.—Leave Townsend for Centreville and way stations 9.30 a. m., and 4.47 p. m., week days Returning, leave Centreville 7.46 a. m., and 2.38 p. m., week-days.
DELAWARE & CHESAPEAKE R. R.—Leave Clayton for Oxford and way stations 9.47 a. m., and 5.03 p. m., week days Returning, leave Oxford 6.47 a. m., and 1 48 p. m., week-days.
CAMBRIDGE & SEAFORD R. R.—Leave Seaford for Cambridge and intermediate stations 11.18 a. m. and 5.51 p. m. week-days. Returning, leave Cambridge 7.00 a.m., and 2.32 p. m. week-days.
CONNECTION.—At Porter, with Newark and Delaware City Railroad. At Townsend, with Queen Anne's & Kent Railroad. At Massey, for stations on Baltimore & Delaware Bay Railroad. At Clayton, with Delaware & Chesapeake Railroad. At Harrington, with Delaware, Maryland & Virginia Railroad. At Seaford